

Bryce Yokomizo Director

August 6, 2002

TO:

Each Supervisor

TRESULLE.

FROM:

Bryce Yokomizo, Director

**Public Social Services** 

Carlos Jackson, Executive Director
Community Development Commission

SUBJECT:

**EXTENSION OF OPERATING AGENCY CONTRACTS JOB CREATION** 

**PLAN** 

In your Board meeting of June 26, 2002, you asked that we review the Chief Executive Officer of the Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation's (LAEDC) request for a three-month extension of the Job Creation contracts to assist regional partners in this transition and provide you with a recommendation. We have reviewed LAEDC's request and do not recommend funding for a three-month extension.

On July 24, 2001, the Board approved the extension of contracts between the Community Development Commission (CDC) and regional economic development organizations through June 30, 2002 to implement the Job Creation Plan. DPSS received a letter from CDC on April 1, 2002 recommending that DPSS contract directly with LAEDC who could then subcontract with the regional partners and coordinate the continuation of services in each of the County regions. A copy of this letter was faxed to LAEDC on April 4, 2002. LAEDC was again advised at an April 22, 2002 meeting that the contract with CDC would not be relet when it expired June 30, 2002.

The Job Creation Project was included in the prioritization process for DPSS budget consideration. This project was not recommended for funding. The consensus was to allow the contract to terminate.

Adequate notification of contract termination was given to LAEDC staff, therefore, we do not recommend funding for a three-month extension.

Please contact us if you have any questions or need additional information.

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Attachments

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 Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors



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Carlos Jackson
Executive Director

April 1, 2002

Bryce Yokomizo, Diractor Department of Public Social Services 12860 Crossroads Parkway South City of Industry, CA 91746-3411

Re: Extension of Operating Agency Contracts Job Creation Plan

Dear Mr. Yokomizo:

On June 29, 1999, the Board of Supervisors approved the Los Angeles County Job Creation Plan (the Plan) to address the need for job creation resulting from implementation of the CalWORKs Welfare-to-Work Program, and authorized the Community Development Commission (Commission) to work with the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC) to implement the Plan using funds provided by a grant to the County from the State Trade and Commerce Agency. That grant has now ended.

in the same June 29, 1999 Board action, the Board approved the execution of contracts between the Commission and regional economic development organizations to support job creation and workforce development activities of the Plan using \$400,000 funded by the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS). On July 24, 2001, the Board approved an additional \$400,000 funded by DPSS and the extension of contracts with LAEDC, the Economic Alliance of the San Fernando Valley, the San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership, and the Greater Antelope Valley Economic Alliance through June 30, 2002.

For fiscal year 2002-2003, we recommend that DPSS contract directly with LAEDC who can subcentract with the regional partners and coordinate the continuation of services in each of the County regions. There is a diminished need for participation by the Commission since the program has evolved to the point of improved understanding of program administrative responsibilities and greater coordination between regional economic development organizations and WorkSource Centers.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me at (323) 890-7400 or Corde Carrillo, Director of Economic/Redevelopment at (323) 890-7205. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely.

CARLOS JACKSO Executive Director

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## Community Development ( nmission

Juna 26, 2002

TO:

Michael D. Antonovich, Supervisor

Fifth District

FROM:

Carlos Jackson, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

JOB CREATION PLAN CONTRACT EXTENSION REQUEST

This memorandum is to expand upon and clarify certain information contained in the June 25, 2002 letter (attached) to you from Lee Harrington, President and CEO of the Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC). In his letter, Mr. Harrington requests that the Board of Supervisors (Board) authorize the Executive Director of the Community Development Commission (CDC) to extend regional job creation contracts from July 1 through September 30, 2002.

On April 1, 2002, I sent a letter (attached) to Bryce Yokomizo, Director of the Department of Public Social Services noting that on July 24, 2001 the Board had approved CDC contracts with the regional economic development organizations through June 30, 2002. I recommended that, DPSS contract directly with LAEDC for fiscal year 2002-2003, who then would subcontract with the participant agencies for the continuation of services in each of the County regions.



Contrary to Mr. Harrington's statement that the end of the contract came without warning, a copy of my April 1 letter was sent via FAX to the LAEDC on April 4. LAEDC and DPSS discussed the letter at the April 20, 2002 CalWorks Education Training and Job Creation Partnership (CWETJP) meeting. At that meeting, LAEDC reported that it was contacting the Board Offices on behalf of the regional economic development organizations to gain Board support for a continuation of the program. Additionally, the June 30, 2002 termination date is included in each of the contracts, including LAEDC's.

In effect, there has been sufficient time for the LAEDC to directly work with DPSS to arrange for new contracts beyond July 1. The CDC has not planned or budgeted for our continued administration of the Job creation program.

Should the Board support a continuation of the job creation program, I recommend a streamlined approach whereby the LAEDC contracts directly with DPSS.

If you or your staff require additional information please call me at (323) 890-7400.

C: Bryce Yokomizo Lee Harrington Each Deputy

Attachments

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